Separate Security Force for VIPs/MPs Security

2227. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a substantial portion of police force is deployed for security of VVIPs and VIPs while they are on move resulting in their non-availability on time to tackle security and law and order problems of common man;

(b) if so, whether Government would consider creation of separate wing within police force to take care of the security during the movements of VVIPs and VIPs and spare other police personnel for their normal duties; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Do not arise.

Taking over of land at disputed site in Ayodhya

2228. SHRI NILOTPAL BASU: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS is pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Parliament enacted a law taking over 70 acres of land around the disputed site at Ayodhya;

(b) if so, whether the taking over of 67.3 acres of land around the disputed site measuring 2.7 acres was considered for maintaining peace and normalcy;

(c) if so, whether Government finds any change in the situation now and to reverse the position as enshrined in the law; and

(d) if so, whether Government are planning to approach the Parliament with any proposed legislation to this effect?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I.D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) With a view to maintain public order and to promote communal harmony and the spirit of common brotherhood amongst the people of India, the Central Government acquired a total area of 71.361

acres of land, including the disputed site at Ayodhya under the provisions of Acquisition of Certain Area at Ayodhya Act, 1993.

(c) No Sir.

(d) There is no such proposal under consideration of the Government.

Terrorism in the Country

2229. SHRI DATTA MEGHE: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the terrorism in the country have increased considerably in the last few years particularly after attack on Parliament in the year 2001;

(b) if so, the facts thereof and reasons therefor;

(c) whether several political parties have urged the Government to issue a white paper on terrorism;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government on such demand; and

(e) the strategy formulated by the Government to check such terrorism?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI HARIN PATHAK): (a) and (b) Available inputs indicate that there is no let up in Pak ISI efforts in aiding abetting and supporting terrorism in various parts of the country.

(c) and (d) There is no proposal to issue a White Paper onTerrorism.

(e) In order to check trans-border crime and terrorism, the Government has adopted a well coordinated and multi-pronged approach which includes strengthening the border management, galvanizing the intelligence machinery, modernization of State Police Forces and CPMFs, neutralizing plans of terrorist groups by well coordinated intelligence based operations. 32 militant organizations have been notified as Terrorist Organisations under POTA. Besides, the Government has set up Joint Working Groups with a number of countries to counter cross border crime and terrorism.